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AT MY REQUEST SARIT RECEIVED ME AFTERNOON OCTOBER 23 FOR ORAL REVIEW PRESIDENT'S SPEECH ON CUBA. SARIT ALREADY HAD READ PRESIDENT'S LETTER DEPTTEL 731. (EMBTTEL 744).

BEFORE I COULD BEGIN PRESENTATION SARIT SAID HE HAD MADE DECISION SUPPORT US AS FOLLOWS:

(1) HE HAD ALREADY DECIDED THAT THAILAND WOULD SUPPORT US WITHOUT REQUIRING ANY FURTHER DISCUSSION OF SITUATION.

(2) HE HAD DIRECTED FOREIGN MINISTRY TO INSTRUCT THAI UN REP AND THAI AMBASSADOR WASHINGTON TO THIS EFFECT, AND TO SEND IMMEDIATE TELEGRAPHIC REPLY TO PRESIDENT'S LETTER.

HE EXPLAINED THAT STATEMENT THAI UN REP HAD BEEN INSTRUCTED TO MAKE WOULD INCLUDE OBSERVATION THAT EVENTS IN NEIGHBORING COUNTRIES "WOULD AFFECT US ALL". SARIT COMPARED US PROBLEMS WITH CUBA TO PROBLEMS THAILAND FACES WITH CAMBODIA AND LAOS AND EXPRESSED HOPE US WOULD VIEW THAI SITUATION IN SAME LIGHT, BUT ADDED THAT THAI UN REP'S STATEMENT WOULD NOT MENTION LAOS OR CAMBODIA BY NAME.

I THANKED HIM FOR HIS SUPPORT AND HIS DECIDING NOT TO HIGHLIGHT COMPARISON WITH CAMBODIA/LAOS. I THEN SUMMARIZED PRESIDENT'S SPEECH DESCRIBING SEVEN ACTIONS IN DETAIL.

PRESENT WITH SARIT AT MEETING WERE ONLY HIS FOREIGN AFFAIRS ADVISOR KONTHI AND AIDE GENERAL EKASAK (FONMIN THANAT OUT OF TOWN).

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COMMENT I WISH POINT OUT THAT SARIT ACTED ON PERSONAL INITIATIVE WITHOUT HESITATION AND DECISEVELY UPON RECEIPT PRESIDENT'S LETTER WITHOUT WAITING FURTHER EXPLANATIONS OR CONSULTATION. PROVIDED THAT SUPPORT ACTUALLY GIVEN IN MANNER DESCRIBED ABOVE, AND DESPITE SARIT'S LINKING HIS ACTION TO US ATTITUDE ON LAO/ CAMBODIAN PROBLEMS, I RECOMMEND THAT HIGH-LEVEL EXPRESSION OF APPRECIATION BE CONVEYED TO HIM AS SOON AS CONVENIENT.

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